## **EXHIBIT AA**

## Manual of Surgical Pathology

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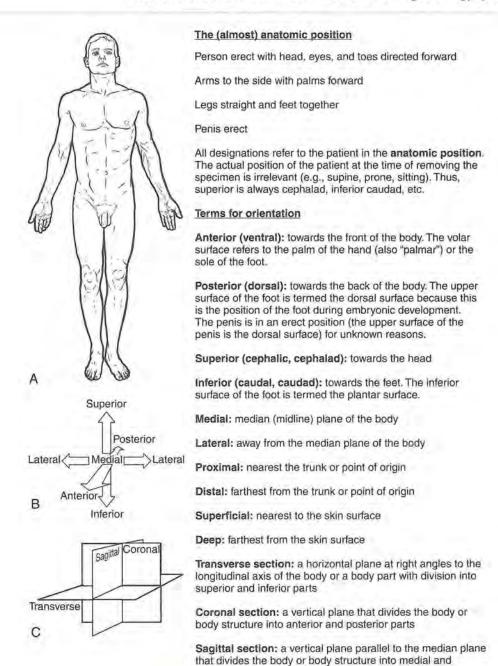


Figure 1-2. The (almost) anatomic position.

lateral parts (= parasagittal)

## ORIENTING PATHOLOGY SPECIMENS

The orientation of some specimens is evident from anatomical landmarks (e.g., a right colectomy). However, many specimens are either difficult or impossible to orient once the specimen has been removed from the patient (Figs. 1-1 and 1-2).

If orientation is important for the evaluation of a specimen (e.g., excisions of malignant tumors), and orientation has not been provided or is unclear, the pathologist should contact the surgeon before processing the specimen. It is always preferable for the surgeon to personally discuss complicated specimens with the pathologist.

For most specimens, external markers must be used to provide information about orientation for the pathologist. The pathologist can then identify the site of the sections taken and relate them to the anatomic location in the patient. Possible techniques include:

Sutures of variable composition, length, or number to mark anatomical sites (e.g., "deep margin") or areas of greatest concern (e.g., "closest margin"): Two sutures